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COUNTRY Rumania

SECURITY INFORMATION

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TOPIC Rumanian Troops in Sibiu

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SOURCE

1. Prior to July 1951, the Infantry Barracks in the southern sector of the city of Sibiu (R 35/R 20) and north of the theater quartered a Rumanian infantry unit of about 400 men, who were equipped with rifles and submachine guns with clip and drum magazines.
2. The Cavalry Barracks on the southern perimeter of the city on the northeast side of the road to Brasov (R 35/X 37) was occupied by a Rumanian unit of about 1,000 men. Source believed that the unit was an artillery officer candidate school.
3. Billets located south of the city on the east side of the road to Cismadie (R 35/W 29), which formerly quartered Rumanian motor maintenance units, were occupied by a Rumanian unit of approximately over 1,000 men. According to statements of source's acquaintances made at undetermined dates, armored vehicles of various types, which allegedly also included armored reconnaissance cars, had practiced on a training ground adjoining the above mentioned billets. Three AT guns of about 50-mm with muzzle brakes were observed from the street firing on the same training ground at miniature tanks similar to the German-made blasting-charge carrier Goliath. During the record firings frequently held there the road to Cismadie was closed.
4. The Artillery Barracks on the southern perimeter of the city and on the west side of the road to Cismadie, north of the junction with the road from Rasinari (R 35/W 19), quartered a Rumanian artillery unit of about 1,000 men and a Rumanian infantry unit of about 500 men. Source observed no guns in the installation but believed that they were in the gun sheds on the training ground. Guns of various types of about 50 to 150 mm were observed from the road connecting Sibiu and Cismadie on that training ground.
5. The Infantry Barracks north of the theater, on Unirii Square, formerly Hermann Square, was, in another source's opinion, occupied by a Rumanian infantry unit of undetermined strength. The unit was frequently observed marching from the barracks installation to the training ground at Poplacker Heath south of the city. The men carried rifles and machine guns and had

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6. [REDACTED] the Artillery Barracks was occupied by a Rumanian artillery unit.
7. Guns painted green were observed arriving at, and leaving, the arsenal. No tanks were seen.
8. The militia center was located on Piata Republica, formerly Grosser Ring. The security troop center (~~S~~ecuritate) was located on Calea Victoriei in the former building of the post headquarters. The staff of this agency ~~mostly~~ wore civilian clothes.
9. [REDACTED] ethnic Germans subject to the draft were not drafted into the Rumanian Armed Forces but only into labor service units working on the construction of the Danube-Black Sea Canal. One of source's acquaintances, for instance, who belonged to the 1932 class, received, in March 1951, a notice of induction, with orders to report for labor duty.
10. The militia personnel wore blue-green uniforms with long trousers or breeches with red piping and visor-type service caps with dark-red bands and dark-red-bordered crowns. The epaulets of the EM were also red and mounted silver stars. The blouse sleeves had red-bordered cuffs. Fur caps made of white or gray fur and gray-blue fabric were worn in winter. In contrast with the uniforms of the army, the clothing of the militia looked standardized and good. Before the introduction of this uniforms, the militia personnel had worn brown clothing.

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